GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5090
ANSWERED ON:27.04.2000
STOCK OF WHEAT
C. KRISHNAN

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of wheat lying in FCI godowns in the country at present;

(b) the quantum of wheat which is of more than two years old alongwith grade-wise quality;

(c) whether the FCI is forcing flour millers to accept low grade wheat;

(d) whether the millers are mixing low grade wheat and high grade wheat before crushing into flour; and

(e) if so, the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

(SHRI SRIRAM CHAUHAN)

(a) The stock position of wheat in the Central Pool (with the FCI & State Agencies) as on lst March, 2000 was as under:

(Figures in lakh tones)

FCI	STATE AGENCIES	TOTAL
74.20	70.91	145.11

(b) Wheat is procured for the Central Pool as per single grade uniform specification.As on lst March, 2000, FCI was having a quantity of 2.78 lakh tones of wheat more than two years old.

(c) No Sir.

(d) & (e): No such matter has been brought to the notice of the Government.